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Faith, lamby:

I just looked up Albany, Ga., to see where it is, and I find you're nearly in Florida, and practically next door to Allah-Bam. The book also says something about pecans. You can spend your idle winter evenings shelling pecans; for Christmas, for instance. *(for me, of course)*

Well, nothing has happened here since you left; nothing. Yesterday morning I felt so awful (feeble, nauseous, moribund) that I thought maybe I had pernicious anemia, but when I mentioned it to a friend here she said everyone felt awful - "it's the weather" - and what do you know: today I feel dandy.

Did you hear about the man who called up his analyst one night and said he had a bolt in his navel and what should he do? Well, the analyst told him to get a monkey wrench or something and take it out, and call him in the morning. Well, a half hour later the man called the analyst back in desperation and said, I did exactly what you said to do, and now my hind end has fallen off!

You can't be too careful.

How was your trip down, how has your first week been, how many others are there and what are they like, etc., etc.? I hope it all goes very well for you.

With love,

*Daddy*